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Slow addn. of the caled. amount of H_2O and a base (pyridine, Me_2NPh , or Et_3N) to 2 moles CH_2CH_2OPClO dild. with 2-3 parts Et_2O at about -5° with stirring, followed by 3 hrs. at room temp. gave after filtration and distn. of the filtrate 40% $(CH_2O)_2POP(OCH_2)_2$, $b_4^{100-1^\circ}, d_{20}^{1.4295}$, $n_D^{20} 1.4900$. Similarly were obtained: $44.5\% OCHMeCH_2OPOPOCH_2-CHMeO$, $b_2-382-3^\circ$, $d_{20} 1.2772$, $n_D^{20} 1.4625$; 44% $OCH(CH_2Cl)CH_2OPOPOCH_2CH-(CH_2Cl)O$, $b_3^{144-5^\circ}, d_{20}^{1.5126}$, $n_D^{20} 1.5130$; 34.8% $OCHMeCH_2CH_2OPOPOCH_2-CH_2CHMeO$, $b_2^{118-20^\circ}, d_{20}^{1.2329}$, $n_D^{20} 1.4745$. These esters readily add Cu_2X_2 and S; they react violently with H_2O . Treatment of OCH_2CH_2OPCl with $(RO)_2PONa$ with cooling in Et_2O gave after sepn. of pptd. NaCl the corresponding $(CH_2O)_2POP(OR)_2$, (R shown): di-Et, 60%, $b_2^{84-5^\circ}$, $d_{20} 1.1890$, $n_D^{20} 1.4557$; di-Pr, 51%, $b_2^{93-4^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1446$, $n_D^{20} 1.4600$; di-iso-Pr, 47.4%, $b_2^{90-1^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1392$, $n_D^{20} 1.4515$; di-Bu, 10.2%, $b_1^{104-5^\circ}$, $d_{20} 1.136$, $n_D^{20} 1.4626$. Similarly were formed: 68.1% $OCHMeCH_2OPOP(OEt)_2$, $b_3^{73-4^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1493$, $n_D^{20} 1.4520$; di-Pr analog, 33.4%, $b_2^{110^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1090$, $n_D^{20} 1.4530$; di-iso-Pr analog, 24.5%, $b_3^{86-8^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1070$, $n_D^{20} 1.4530$; di-Bu analog, 19.6%, $b_3^{120-1^\circ}, d_{20} 1.080$, $n_D^{20} 1.4550$; 53.3% $OCHMeCH_2CH_2OP-OP(OEt)_2$, $b_5^{113-3.5^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1368$, $n_D^{20} 1.4563$; di-Pr analog, 56.4%, $b_4^{110-11^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1001$, $n_D^{20} 1.4580$; 32.7% di-iso-Pr analog, $b_2^{98-102^\circ}$, $d_{20} 1.0645$, $n_D^{20} 1.4460$; 40.1% di-Bu analog, $b_7^{152-6^\circ}, d_{20} 1.0663$, $n_D^{20} 1.4580$; 15% $OCH(CH_2Cl)CH_2OPOP(OEt)_2$, $b_1-2^{110^\circ}, d_{20} 1.2470$, $n_D^{20} 1.4660$; 20% di-Pr analog, $b_1-2^{125-9^\circ}, d_{20} 1.1990$, $n_D^{20} 1.4690$; 23% di-Bu analog, $b_3^{147-50^\circ}$, $d_{20} 1.1986$, $n_D^{20} 1.473$. These esters possess the usual properties of the phosphites. The yields of the higher unsym.esters are reduced by the symmetrization reaction during distn.